

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1. (original) A process for the flavour development in a fermented food whereby a carboxypeptidase is used.
2. (original) A process according to claim 1 whereby the fermented food is beer, sausage or cheese preferably cheese or cheese derived products.
3. (currently amended) A process according to claim 1 ~~or 2~~ whereby the carboxypeptidase activity is for at least 90% caused by a single enzyme.
4. (currently amended) A process according to ~~any one of claims 1 to 3~~ claim 1 whereby the ratio of endoprotease activity (PU) and carboxypeptidase activity (CPG) is less than 0.01, preferably less than 0.001 and most preferably less than 0.0005.
5. (currently amended) A process according to ~~any one of claims 1 to 4~~ claim 1, whereby the carboxypeptidase is CPD-1, preferably CPD-1 having the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:3.
6. (original) Use of carboxypeptidase having a ratio of endoprotease activity (PU) and carboxypeptidase activity (CPG) of less than 0.01 in the preparation of fermented food.
7. (original) Use of claim 6 in the preparation of cheese or cheese derived products.
8. Use of claim 7 in the preparation of EMC (enzyme modified cheese).
9. (currently amended) Use according to ~~any one of claims 6 to 8~~ claim 6 for flavour generation.